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Dear Ms. Hesse:

As a business owner who relies heavily on computer technology to be competitive, I have followed the antitrust suit against Microsoft. While I appreciate the concerns expressed, I believe there is a danger in the government interfering too much with product development, and regulations that will inhibit innovation.

It is my understanding that Microsoft has tried to address these concerns in order to bring the case to a conclusion and to allow the company to move forward with developing new products. It has been reported that Microsoft is agreeable to the proposed settlement. I hope the Department of Justice will agree as well, and allow Microsoft to settle and move on.

Respectfully yours,

Rodney Taylor
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